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SUBJECT: CYPRUS REPRESENTATION AT 32ND UNGA

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1. AS DEPT IS AWARE FROM REF B, PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU
WILL HEAD GOC DELEGATION TO 32ND UNGA AND HAS ALREADY
REQUESTED A MEETING WITH PRESIDENT CARTER. KYPRIANOU
REQUEST WAS REITERATED AND UNDERSCORED BY FONOFF DIRGEN
PELAGHIAS WHO ASKED TO SEE AMBASSADOR SEPT 6.

2. PELAGHIAS PREFACED THE REITERATED REQUEST
FOR A KYPRIANOU MEETING WITH PRESIDENT CARTER BY SAYING
KYPRIANOU IS A MAN OF THE RIGHT AND OF THE WEST. AS HE
HAD TOLD AMBASSADOR AUG 19, HE WILL KEEP OPEN ALL
OPTIONS IN APPROACH TO THE CYPRUS PROBLEM BUT HIS
PRIMARY RELIANCE IS ON US. CONTRARY TO THE ASSERTIONS
OF SOME OF KYPRIANOU'S OPPONENTS, HE WILL NOT RELY ON
THE COMMUNISTS (AKEL) OR SOCIALISTS (EDEK). HIS
POLICIES WILL BE HIS OWN. WHEN HE RUNS FOR A FULL
PRESIDENTIAL TERM IN FEBRUARY, IT WILL BE AS THE
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CANDIDATE OF A MAJORITY OF NON-COMMUNIST GREEK
CYPRIOTS. IF THE LEFT ALSO CHOOSES TO VOTE FOR HIM,
HE WILL ACCEPT ITS VOTES BUT WITHOUT PAYING ANY PRICE.

3. PELAGHIAS CONTINUED THAT KYPRIANOU FEELS IT
IMPORTANT IN HOLDING CYPRUS ON A MODERATE, PRO-WESTERN
COURSE IN THE YEARS AHEAD THAT HE HAVE THE SYMBOLIC

ADVANTAGE OF AN EARLY MEETING WITH PRESIDENT CARTER.
THIS NEED BE FOR NO MORE THAN FIVE MINUTES, IN NEW YORK,
WASHINGTON, OR ELSEWHERE AT THE PRESIDENT'S CONVENIENCE.
KYPRIANOU PLANS TO BE IN THE US FOR THE LAST WEEK OF
SEPTEMBER AND THE FIRST IN OCTOBER, BUT FOR THE
PURPOSE OF SEEING PRESIDENT CARTER HE WOULD BE PLEASED
TO EXTEND IN EITHER DIRECTION.

4. CONCLUDING, PELAGHIAS ASKED THAT THIS EMBASSY GIVE
FULL SUPPORT TO KYPRIANOU'S REQUEST. AMBASSADOR
REPLIED THAT HE HAD ALREADY CONVEYED PRESIDENT
KYPRIANOU'S INITIAL EXPRESSION OF INTEREST AND WOULD
INFORM DEPT OF THE RENEWED APPROACH.
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